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## Warm-up

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Find the roots of each using the quadratic formula:

a)  $y = 2x^2 + 17x + 30$  (-5/2, -6)      b)  $y = x^2 - 8x + 16$  (4, 4)

$$-\frac{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$-\frac{(-8) \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(1)(16)}}{2(1)}$$

$$\frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64 - 64}}{2}$$


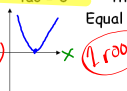
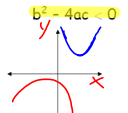
$$\frac{8 \pm \sqrt{0}}{2} \quad \frac{8+0}{2}, \frac{8-0}{2}$$

$x = 4$

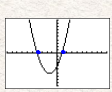
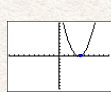
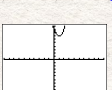
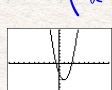
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The **discriminant** reveals the nature of the roots. The discriminant is  $b^2 - 4ac$   $\Delta$

- If the discriminant is positive, or  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$  there are two Real and Unequal Roots  
"positive"  

- If  $b^2 - 4ac = 0$  there are Real and Equal Roots (one root)  
 $x^2 - 8x + 16$   
 $(-8)^2 - 4(1)(16)$   
 $64 - 64 = 0$   

- If  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$  (negative) the roots are Non-Real  


**Example** Use the discriminant to determine the number of the roots of each quadratic.

$1. x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$ $(3)^2 - 4(1)(-4)$ $9 - (-16)$ $25 > 0$ 2 roots	$2. 0 = x^2 - 8x + 16$ $(-8)^2 - 4(1)(16)$ $64 - 64 = 0$ 1 root
	
$3. 2x^2 - 4x + 9 = 0$ $(-4)^2 - 4(2)(9)$ $16 - 72 < 0$ $-56 < 0$ (no roots)	$4. 2x^2 - 4x - 3 = 0$ $(-4)^2 - 4(2)(-3)$ $16 + 24 > 0$ (2 roots)
	

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1) difference of squares

$$x^2 - 121 = 0$$

$$(x-11)(x+11) = 0$$

$$x^2 = 15x = 0$$

$$x(x-15) = 0$$

$$16x^2 = 100$$

$$(4x-10)(4x+10) = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 48x = 0$$

$$3x(x+16) = 0$$

$$3x = 0$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x + 16 = 0$$

$$x = -16$$

$$x^2 - 9$$

$$x^2 - 25$$

$$x^2 - 15$$

$$9x^2 - 49$$

$$(3x-7)(3x+7)$$

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